# STATE OF MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING October 12 & 13, 2011

### **BUSINESS MEETING**

# **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular business meeting of the Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation was called to order by Chairman Linda Nelson at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 12, 2011, at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana. Board members present were Chairman Nelson, Vice-Chairman Wayne Smith, Don Bradshaw, Ronald S. Efta, Jay Gunderson, Jack King and Bret Smelser. Staff present was Jim Halvorson, George Hudak, Gary Klotz, Terri Perrigo, Clyde Peterson, Ron Prevost, Tom Richmond, Steve Sasaki.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Efta and unanimously passed, to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2011 business meeting.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

# DENBURY OFFSHORE, LLC - CO2 PROJECT UPDATE

Three Denbury Resources, Inc. (Denbury) employees were present to give an update to the Board on its Bell Creek Field CO2-Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR) project in southeastern Montana: Greg Dover, Vice President of Operations, North Region; Greg Schnacke, Executive Director Governmental Relations; and Randy Robichaux, Health Safety & Environmental Manager. Their power point presentation slides are attached as Exhibit 1; and their CO2 strategy pamphlet is attached as Exhibit 2. Denbury has recently begun construction of the 232-mile Greencore Pipeline in Wyoming, which will transport CO2 to the Bell Creek Field in Montana. It is anticipated the first CO2 flood in Bell Creek Field will begin in 2016.

## MONTANA TECH - CO2 PROJECT

Leo Heath and John Evans of Montana Tech were present to request funding for a study they think would benefit the state and oil and gas operators. They are proposing to undertake a five-year engineering study of Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR) methods in the Bakken play in Elm Coulee Field in Richland County, Montana, which is expected to cost approximately \$863,000. A summary of the proposed study and the funding requirements are attached in Exhibits C & D.

Mr. Evans talked about major opportunities for enhanced oil recovery in MT (through CO2 injection). The Cedar Creek anticline and Elm Coulee are prime candidates for CO2 injection. He estimates in Elm Coulee only 10 percent of original oil in place will be recovered in initial recovery. He thinks natural gas or CO2 flooding will be the best way to do secondary recovery. Studies need to be done to determine the best way to recover Bakken reserves. The results of a study would probably evolve into a pilot project in order to determine whether natural gas or CO2 is the best way to recover Bakken reserves.

Mr. King asked Mr. Richmond about funding. He reminded the Board that the last legislature appropriated 1.5 million per year for education funding. If the Board used the entire 1.5 million education appropriation each year it would have a negative fund balance at the end of FY 13. There are some things

the Board could do to avoid that: it could increase its share of privilege and license tax or it could reduce its expenditures by not fully funding the education appropriation. Mr. Richmond does not think the Board needs to increase its share of privilege and license tax proceeds because if the price of oil goes up we would be fine. He does not think the Boar d should spend the entire 1.5 million education appropriation however, in case the price of oil does not go up.

Mr. Richmond wanted to discuss a couple other related items. Funding education projects, which has been in statute but never funded till now, is now part of the Board's programs. The teacher's workshop, which the Board has funded for approximately five years, was not funded in the budget this biennium. Neither was attendance at the North American Prospect Exposition (NAPE). Mr. Richmond suggested the Board use part of the \$1.5 million education appropriation each year to fund them.

Mr. Heath said this year teachers will get college credits for attending the teacher's workshop instead of just renewal credits. He will have to add assessment and additional work, but he thinks this will be make the class more attractive to teachers and make attendance increase.

Mr. Richmond thinks the Board should fund the MT Tech request at \$172,781 per year for five years, and should fund the teacher's workshop and NAPE. Mr. Bradshaw agreed.

The Chairman asked Mr. Richmond if he was looking at anything else to fund out of the education appropriation. He said the Legislative Audit committee meeting is next month and one suggestion they made is to have a field inspection manual. Development of a procedure manual could also be done with the funds.

Mr. Smith asked if there would be any duplication between the MT Tech study and the Denbury activity. Denbury said they don't know much about Elm Coulee, but any type of study that would enlighten them on this would really be beneficial. Mr. Evans from MT Tech said the type of reservoir associated with the Cedar Creek anticline and the Bakken play in Elm Coulee is totally different. The Cedar Creek anticline is mostly vertical wells with 1 frac job (if any) and permeability of 10-15 milidarcies. The Elm Coulee Bakken play is mostly multi-frac'd horizontal wells with permeability of 1/100 of a millidarcy. There is no comparison between the two and there will be no duplication.

Mr. Smelser asked if anyone knew the results of the "huff and puff" study Continental Resources did. There was a lot of hype about it but not much else. Mr. Evans said they talked to Continental and hardly anything happened. They injected a lot of CO2 but not much happened.

Mr. King said he likes what MT Tech is proposing especially within budget parameters. Mr. Richmond said someone needs to look at Elm Coulee because original wells are now below bubble point which means there is free gas in the reservoir. This means oil production is decreasing and gas production is increasing. There are twenty year old original Bakken wells in North Dakota that are now pretty much gas wells

Mr. Smelser asked if this project is better than going back and re-frac'ing early Bakken wells. Mr. Evans said yes. Going back and re-frac'ing those initial wells has and will increase production; but in the long run, EOR is the way to go.

**MOTION:** Mr. Gunderson recused himself. Mr. King made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smelser and passed, to fund the MT Tech project to the level requested.

**MOTION** Mr. Efta made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smith and unanimously passed, to fund the teacher's workshop and attendance at NAPE out of the education appropriation.

## **BOND REPORT**

Mr. Halvorson presented the bond report attached as Exhibit E. In August the Board ordered two bonds forfeited: Native American and MSE. Banks will no longer release certificates of deposit without signed board order so that has delayed receipt of those funds.

# **DOCKET SUMMARY**

Mr. Halvorson said the show cause hearing for Native American Energy (Docket 461-2011) has been dismissed.

Mr. Halvorson said he had flagged a number of applications for the board to hear. These applications requested Default Docket and he did not put them there for various, but similar, reasons:

a) requests for 640's vs. 1280's;

b) requests for 200' setbacks next to permanent spacing units with 660' setbacks;

c) temporary spacing units overlapping permanent spacing units; and

d) notice not given to offset interest owners (even though this is not a requirement, the Board has previously stated it may look more favorably at requests for 200' setbacks if the offset interest owners were notified).

Mr. Halvorson said there are some issues, such as notice and setbacks that the Board could combine together and do a single, docketed modification to the statewide rule. Mr. Richmond said statute gives the Board the option of defining different (special) statewide spacing for certain areas. Not too long ago, Devon asked the Board to do that for natural gas spacing in Hill/Blaine counties. He said the Board has probably already temporarily spaced half of Roosevelt County. Mr. King said if this is a suggestion for special spacing he is all for it.

Mr. Smelser thought the Board was going to take exception to any 1280's with 200' setbacks that border 660' setbacks. He wanted to know where we draw the line. Eventually it will have to be drawn and someone will get hurt and someone will benefit.

Mr. Halvorson said Mr. Peterson told him if the Board accepts that 200' setbacks do not affect correlative rights, then the idea of harming a 660' setback is not a problem.

Mr. Halvorson said tri-laterals drilled with 660' setbacks don't have ability to snug up to other wells and that could be an issue. He suggested the Board presume if operators do not come to the BOGC about requested encroachment it is not a problem for them.

Linda asked if anyone had comments on Mr. Smelser's question about where we draw the line.

Mr. Halvorson said the 200' setback cat is out of the bag now. They exist, and if the Board starts mixing 660's and 200's it is going to be really confusing. Mr. Smith said if everyone is in agreement that 200' setbacks are the way to go, then the only reason for 660's in the future is for special circumstances. The Chairman said it seems like 200' setbacks are becoming the norm. Mr. Halvorson said they are, and to not accept them now will cause a huge problem.

Mr. Gunderson said it seems like the Board evolves. He asked if this situation is that much different than when the Board went from 640 acre spacing units to 1280's. Mr. Halvorson said it was similar in impact and concern, but for different reasons. The need for 1280 acre spacing units is driven by economies of drilling wells. Setbacks are a correlative rights issue.

Chairman Nelson said she is always concerned about correlative rights. It is something the Board is charged with and she cannot forget that.

Mr. Bradshaw said precedent has been set the last three or four meetings regarding 200' setbacks. He thinks those requests should go on the Default Docket. Mr. Smelser agreed.

Mr. Peterson reminded the Board a series of votes does not set a precedent. What it sets is a general direction. But he would not call it a precedent – maybe a trend.

Linda thought the Board should be able to group all the requests for 200' setbacks together. She asked Mr. King and Mr. Efta, who have opposed the 200' setbacks repeatedly, to state their opinion.

Mr. Efta said he is not convinced 200' setbacks protect correlative rights. He just does not understand why so rapidly the Board has gone from 660' setbacks to 200' setbacks.

Mr. King said two issues concern him. One is what Mr. Peterson advised Mr. Halvorson: that if the Board accepts that 200' setbacks do not affect correlative rights, then the idea of harming a 660' setback is not a problem. The other is what are we going to do about it as a Board. He thinks the Board needs to decide what its process is going to be. Right now we have decided 200' setbacks are ok. But the process should have some guidance.

Mr. King said a tougher issue is notice: what will the Board require vs. what it will not. The Chairman said the offset notices are confusing. If the Board is going to go with its trend, it could just drop the requirement they've informally established that they notify offset interest owners.

Mr. Richmond thinks the Board should do special statewide spacing for Richland and Roosevelt counties: 1280's with 1320' setbacks for first well down middle, 500' lateral setbacks from boundaries, and 200' heel/toe setbacks. He is not sure whether or not to include Sheridan County. This takes it off the table as far as Default Docket and notice goes. And it promotes orderly development. He suggests this be docketed on the Board's own motion for December. Chairman Nelson agrees.

**CONCENSUS:** Docket special statewide spacing upon Board's own motion for the December hearing.

Mr. Halvorson wanted clarification on how to proceed at tomorrow's hearing. He will combine all the 200' setback applications into one group, but needs to know if the Board wants to hear them if there are 660' offset setbacks. He once again reminded the Board that the Default Docket was created for the Board's convenience when it did not need full presentations because the requests were fairly routine. The question on this 200' setback is: would more information help to make the decision. Or if the Board doesn't think there is anything else to learn, they could all be approved with one motion. The chairman said it seems everyone requests Default Docket anymore. Mr. Halvorson reminded the Board that although they request it, they don't all get put on it.

Mr. Smelser had a question for Mr. Efta who has issues with correlative rights. He wanted to know what Mr. Efta would be comfortable with when a 200' heel/toe snugs up to a 660' setback. Mr. Efta said it is a matter of something the Board has already tried vs. something that is going to be drilled. He is comfortable with the staff recommendation of 500' setbacks. He still thinks the Board is overlooking correlative rights. Mr. Smelser said he has listened to the presentation of why 200' setbacks do not affect correlative rights three or four times and does not need more information to make his decision. He disagrees with Mr. Efta but respects his opinion. He thinks if the wells are all set up in one way, correlative rights are not going to be affected.

Mr. Halvorson said the only applications he is planning to set out for hearing tomorrow are ones where 200' setbacks encroach on a PSU with 660' setbacks. He said the Board may need to limit offset spacing units to 660 'setbacks, but if operators have a problem with it they can protest the application and come before the Board.

Mr. Efta reminded the Board about the concerns it has heard from mineral owners that they can't afford to hire an attorney to come and protest. He thinks the Board may want to consider that when it makes decisions.

# **FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Ms. Perrigo presented the financial statement attached as Exhibit F.

She also presented the information requested by board members at the last meeting: a recap of the Board's avoided privilege and license tax distributed to the impacted counties since September 2005 (Exhibit G) and the amount of privilege and license tax distributed to the Board since the same time (Exhibit H).

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### BENSUN ENERGY

Mr. Lance Bensun and Mr. Frank Baxter were present to discuss a letter they sent to Board members, which is attached as Exhibit I. Mr. Bensun is asking the Board to defer Docket 456-2011 to the next meeting.

Mr. Halvorson said this matter is docketed for a show cause hearing tomorrow. That is the notice that was given. If anyone were going to appear it would be tomorrow. Mr. Peterson said that is problematic. Mr. Hudak received a call from an attorney representing the landowner, asking if he had approved an injection well application. Mr. Sasaki said Mr. Pat Bagley, attorney for the landowner Gonzoroski's, said he is going to appear tomorrow. Mr. Peterson said notice of the show-cause hearing was given. If someone is showing up tomorrow to comment or discuss concerns, they have a right to be heard. No action will be taken today and the matter will be heard as scheduled tomorrow.

#### STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Sasaki reported that Glendive-area field inspector Darrell Hystad retired October 1, 2011.

Mr. Sasaki reported on the well plugging projects:

2009 Northern -have plugged 10 wells and have 1 well left to do in McCone county;

2009 Southern –have the same contractor here as 09 Northern, so they will move to this project when 09 Northern is completed; and

2007 Tank Battery -just doing land farming right now and will RFP for the second part of the project soon.

Mr. Halvorson distributed Exhibit J, a revised penalty policy for delinquent reports. Based on Board suggestion, he added a \$50 base penalty for reports that are 4 months delinquent in addition to the \$10 per delinquent report fee. He asked if the board wanted to approve it today or notice it for discussion at the next business meeting. Mr. Peterson said it could be adopted today.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Smelser and unanimously passed, to approve the penalty policy for delinquent reports as presented by Mr. Halvorson and set forth in Exhibit J.

Mr. Halvorson brought up the difference between the Bakken and Three Forks when it comes to spacing. In North Dakota they can drill Bakken and Three Forks in the same unit. North Dakota defined the Bakken pool to 50' above and 50' below, which includes the top of the Three Forks. Operators now want to target their wells to the Three Forks, so the frac job opens up the Bakken and most of the production comes from the Bakken. Mr. Halvorson said within the past year the Board has spaced Three Forks wells and, in hindsight, could have done this different and a little smoother. This came up because a mineral owner was concerned that an operator was beyond the primary term of their lease, which was spaced to the deepest producing formation which was Bakken. Brigham will bring this up. Their intent is to drill the Three Forks and frac into the Bakken.

Mr. Richmond said another suggestion for the Board's education funding could be to ask the Bureau of Mines to do a map for the base of the Fox Hills in NE Montana. We have one now that is hand drawn. Surface casing gets set through the Fox Hills and it would be beneficial to have a more professional map.

Mr. Richmond said the Legislative Audit Committee hearing on the performance audit is November 3<sup>rd</sup> in Helena. He and Chairman Nelson will attend.

Mr. Richmond said the US Fish and Wildlife Service has a seminar next week in Great Falls that Field Supervisor Gary Klotz will be attending. The focus is migratory birds and migratory bird mortality. Mr. Richmond said US Fish and Wildlife Service took a trip through North Dakota a couple months ago and some operators got some pretty hefty fines: about \$10,000 per bird.

Ms. Perrigo presented the proposed 2012 hearing schedule which is attached as Exhibit K. She asked Board members to get back with her by the December meetings if they have conflicts with the proposed schedule. She also said the proposed April 2012 hearing would be in Butte and she will coordinate with Tech to make sure the Board hearing coincides with their students' poster presentations and availability.

Mr. Smelser said there should be a new hotel in Sidney this summer and possibly the Board could consider holding either the June or August Sidney.

# EXEMPT STAFF PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS

The Board met in executive session to do exempt staff performance evaluations. Chairman Nelson said the Governor's pay freeze is still in place so there will be no salary increases for exempt staff at this time.

With no further business, the business meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.

### PUBLIC HEARING.

The Board reconvened at the Board's hearing room at its office at the 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 13, 2011to hear the matters docketed for public hearing. As a result of the discussion, testimony and technical data placed before the Board, the following action was taken in each matter.

<u>Docket No. 310-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation was approved as set forth in Board Order 260-2011.

<u>Docket No. 311-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation was approved as set forth in Board Order 261-2011.

<u>Docket No. 312-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation was approved as set forth in Board Order 262-2011.

<u>Docket No. 313-2011</u> — Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation was approved as set forth in Board Order 263-2011.

<u>Docket No. 314-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation was approved as set forth in Board Order 264-2011.

<u>Docket No. 315-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation was approved as set forth in Board Order 265-2011.

<u>Docket No. 316-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation was approved as set forth in Board Order 266-2011.

<u>Docket No. 317-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation was approved as set forth in Board Order 267-2011.

<u>Docket No. 318-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation was approved as set forth in Board Order 268-2011.

<u>Docket No. 319-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation was approved as set forth in Board Order 269-2011.

<u>Docket No's. 320-2011 & 1-2012 FED</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Smith and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation as set forth in Board Order 270-2011.

<u>Docket No. 321-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation was approved as set forth in Board Order 271-2011.

<u>Docket No. 322-2011</u> – The application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 323-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and passed, to approve the application of Stephens Energy Company LLC as set forth in Board Order 272-2011. Mr. Efta voted no.

<u>Docket No. 324-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and passed, to approve the application of Stephens Energy Company LLC as set forth in Board Order 273-2011. Mr. Efta voted no.

<u>Docket No. 325-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and passed, to approve the application of Stephens Energy Company LLC as set forth in Board Order 274-2011. Ms. Nelson, Mr. Efta, and Mr. King voted no.

<u>Docket No. 326-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and passed, to approve the application of Stephens Energy Company LLC as set forth in Board Order 275-2011. Mr. Efta voted no.

<u>Docket No. 327-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and passed, to approve the application of Stephens Energy Company LLC as set forth in Board Order 276-2011. Mr. Efta voted no.

<u>Docket No. 328-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and passed, to approve the application of Stephens Energy Company LLC as set forth in Board Order 277-2011. Mr. Efta voted no. Ms. Nelson recused herself.

<u>Docket No. 329-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and passed, to approve the application of Stephens Energy Company LLC as set forth in Board Order 278-2011. Mr. Efta voted no. Ms. Nelson recused herself.

<u>Docket No. 330-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Smelser and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Enerplus Resources (USA) Corporation as set forth in Board Order 279-2011.

<u>Docket No. 331-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Smelser and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Enerplus Resources (USA) Corporation as set forth in Board Order 280-2011.

<u>Docket No. 332-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Smelser and passed, to approve the application of Enerplus Resources (USA) Corporation as set forth in Board Order 281-2011.

<u>Docket No. 333-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Smelser and passed, to approve the application of Enerplus Resources (USA) Corporation as set forth in Board Order 282-2011.

<u>Docket No. 334-2011</u> – The application of Samson Resources Company was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

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<u>Docket No. 337-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Gunderson and passed, to approve the application of Fidelity Exploration & Production Company as set forth in Board Order 283-2011.

<u>Docket No's. 338-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Smelser and passed, to approve the application of Fidelity Exploration & Production Company as set forth in Board Order 284-2011.

<u>Docket No. 339-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Fidelity Exploration & Production Company was approved as set forth in Board Order 285-2011.

<u>Docket No. 340-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Fidelity Exploration & Production Company was approved as set forth in Board Order 286-2011.

<u>Docket No. 341-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Fidelity Exploration & Production Company was approved as set forth in Board Order 287-2011.

<u>Docket No. 342-2011</u> – The application of Fidelity Exploration & Production Company was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 343-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Efta and passed, to approve the application of Fidelity Exploration & Production Company as set forth in Board Order 288-2011.

 $\frac{Docket\ No.\ 344-2011}{Docket\ No.\ 344-2011}-A\ motion\ was\ made\ by\ Mr.\ Bradshaw,\ seconded\ by\ Mr.\ Smelser\ and\ passed,\ to\ approve\ the\ application\ of\ Cirque\ Resources\ LP\ as\ set\ forth\ in\ Board\ Order\ 289-2011.$ 

 $\frac{Docket\ No.\ 345\text{-}2011}{Docket\ No.\ 345\text{-}2011}-A\ motion\ was\ made\ by\ Mr.\ Bradshaw,\ seconded\ by\ Mr.\ Smelser\ and\ passed,\ to\ approve\ the\ application\ of\ Cirque\ Resources\ LP\ as\ set\ forth\ in\ Board\ Order\ 290\text{-}2011.$ 

 $\frac{Docket\ No.\ 346\text{-}2011\ \&\ 2\text{-}2012\ FED}{\text{ED}}-\text{The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was}$  with drawn.

<u>Docket No. 347-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 291-2011.

<u>Docket No. 348-2011 & 1-2006 FED</u> – The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was withdrawn.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 349-2011 \& 11-2005 FED}} - \text{The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.}$ 

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. }350\text{-}2011}$  — The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 351-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 292-2011.

<u>Docket No. 352-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 293-2011.

<u>Docket No. 353-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Gunderson and passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 294-2011.

<u>Docket No. 354-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Gunderson and passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 295-2011.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 355-2011}}$  – The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\frac{Docket\ No.\ 356\text{-}2011}{December\ 2011\ hearing} - The\ application\ of\ Continental\ Resources,\ Inc.\ was\ continued\ to\ the\ December\ 2011\ hearing.$ 

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. } 357\text{-}2011}$  — The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 358-2011</u> - The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was withdrawn.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 359-2011}} - \text{A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Smith and passed,} \\ \text{to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 296-2011.} \\$ 

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 360-2011}} - \text{A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Smelser and passed,} \\ \text{to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 297-2011.} \\$ 

<u>Docket No. 361-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 298-2011.

<u>Docket No's. 362-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Smelser and passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 299-2011.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 363-2011 \& 3-2012 FED}} - \text{The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was withdrawn.}$ 

<u>Docket No. 364-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 300-2011.

<u>Docket No. 365-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 301-2011.

<u>Docket No. 366-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 302-2011.

<u>Docket No. 367-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 303-2011.

<u>Docket No. 368-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 304-2011.

<u>Docket No. 369-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 305-2011.

<u>Docket No. 370-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 306-2011.

<u>Docket No. 371-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 307-2011.

<u>Docket No. 372-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 308-2011.

<u>Docket No. 373-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 309-2011.

<u>Docket No. 374-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 310-2011.

<u>Docket No. 375-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 311-2011.

<u>Docket No. 376-2011</u> - The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was withdrawn.

<u>Docket No. 377-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 312-2011.

<u>Docket No. 378-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 313-2011.

<u>Docket No. 379-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 314-2011.

<u>Docket No. 380-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. King and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 315-2011.

<u>Docket No. 381-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Smelser and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 316-2011.

<u>Docket No. 382-2011 & 4-2012 FED</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Smelser and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 317-2011.

<u>Docket No. 383-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Gunderson and unanimously passed, to approve the application of XTO Energy Inc. as set forth in Board Order 318-2011.

<u>Docket No. 384-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of XTO Energy Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 319-2011.

<u>Docket No. 385-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of XTO Energy Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 320-2011.

<u>Docket No. 386-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw, seconded by Mr. Smith and passed, to approve the application of XTO Energy Inc. as set forth in Board Order 321-2011. Mr. Smelser recused himself.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 387-2011}}\text{-} \text{ The application of EOG Resources, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.}$ 

<u>Docket No. 388-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Justice SWD, LLC was approved as set forth in Board Order 322-2011.

<u>Docket No. 389-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Keesun Corporation was approved as set forth in Board Order 323-2011.

<u>Docket No. 390-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Energy Equity Company was approved as set forth in Board Order 324-2011.

<u>Docket No. 391-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Prima Exploration, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 325-2011.

<u>Docket No. 392-2011</u> – The application of Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 393-2011</u> – The application of Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 394-2011}} - \text{The application of TOI Operating was continued to the December 2011} \\ \text{hearing.}$ 

<u>Docket No. 395-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. King and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Remuda Energy Development, LLC as set forth in Board Order 326-2011.

<u>Docket No. 396-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw, seconded by Mr. Smelser and unanimously passed, to approve the application of TAQA North USA, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 327-2011.

<u>Docket No. 397-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. King and unanimously passed, to approve the application of TAQA North USA, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 328-2011.

<u>Docket No. 398-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of TAQA North USA, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 329-2011.

<u>Docket No. 399-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Windy Butte Reclamation Facility, LLC was approved as set forth in Board Order 330-2011.

<u>Docket No. 400-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Gunderson and passed, to approve the application of Poor Boy Oil, LLP as set forth in Board Order 331-2011. Mr. Bradshaw and Mr. Smelser voted no.

<u>Docket No. 401-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Sand Oil Company was approved as set forth in Board Order 332-2011.

<u>Docket No. 402-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Sand Oil Company was approved as set forth in Board Order 333-2011.

<u>Docket No. 403-2011</u> – The application of Sands Oil Company was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 404-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\frac{Docket\ No.\ 405\text{-}2011}{Docket\ No.\ 405\text{-}2011}- \ The\ application\ of\ Brigham\ Oil\ \&\ Gas,\ LP\ was\ continued\ to\ the\ December\ 2011\ hearing.$ 

<u>Docket No. 406-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was approved as set forth in Board Order 334-2011.

<u>Docket No. 407-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was approved as set forth in Board Order 335-2011.

<u>Docket No. 408-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was approved as set forth in Board Order 336-2011.

<u>Docket No. 409-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 410-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 411-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 412-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was approved as set forth in Board Order 337-2011.

<u>Docket No. 413-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was approved as set forth in Board Order 338-2011.

<u>Docket No. 414-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was approved as set forth in Board Order 339-2011.

<u>Docket No. 415-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was approved as set forth in Board Order 340-2011.

<u>Docket No. 416-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 417-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was approved as set forth in Board Order 341-2011.

<u>Docket No. 418-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

Docket No. 419-2011 - The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was withdrawn.

<u>Docket No. 420-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 421-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 422-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

Docket No. 423-2011 - The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was withdrawn.

<u>Docket No. 424-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 425-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was approved as set forth in Board Order 342-2011.

<u>Docket No. 426-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 427-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 428-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was approved as set forth in Board Order 343-2011.

<u>Docket No. 429-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 430-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 431-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was approved as set forth in Board Order 344-2011.

<u>Docket No. 432-2011</u> The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 433-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was approved as set forth in Board Order 345-2011.

<u>Docket No. 434-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 435-2011}}\text{--} \text{ The application of Brigham Oil \& Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.}$ 

<u>Docket No. 436-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 437-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 438-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 439-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

Docket No. 440-2011 - The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was dismissed.

<u>Docket No. 441-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 442-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and passed, to approve the application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP as set forth in Board Order 346-2011. Mr. King recused himself.

<u>Docket No. 443-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Gunderson and passed, to approve the application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP as set forth in Board Order 347-2011. Mr. King recused himself.

<u>Docket No. 444-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 445-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 446-2011}}\text{-} \text{ The application of Brigham Oil \& Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.}$ 

Docket No. 447-2011 - The application of G3 Operating, LLC was withdrawn.

<u>Docket No. 448-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Gunderson and unanimously passed, to approve the application of G3 Operating, LLC as set forth in Board Order 348-2011.

<u>Docket No. 449-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Gunderson and unanimously passed, to approve the application of G3 Operating, LLC as set forth in Board Order 349-2011.

<u>Docket No. 450-2011 & 5-2012 FED</u>— The application of Mountain View Energy, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 451-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of J.J. Bunkirt Oil and Gas Corporation was approved as set forth in Board Order 350-2011.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. } 452\text{-}2011} - \text{The application of Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.}$ 

<u>Docket No. 453-2011</u> – The application of Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 454-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Samson Resources Company was approved as set forth in Board Order 351-2011.

<u>Docket No. 455-2011</u> – The application of G3 Operating, LLC was combined for hearing with Docket 320-2011 and 1-2012 FED. As a result of that hearing, Board Order 270-2011 was issued.

<u>Docket No. 314-2010</u> – The application of Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 405-2010</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 352-2011.

<u>Docket No. 406-2010</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 353-2011.

<u>Docket No. 407-2010</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 354-2011.

<u>Docket No. 408-2010</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 355-2011.

<u>Docket No. 409-2010</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 356-2011.

<u>Docket No. 410-2010</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 357-2011.

<u>Docket No. 411-2010</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 358-2011.

<u>Docket No. 412-2010</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 359-2011.

<u>Docket No. 413-2010</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 360-2011.

<u>Docket No. 414-2010</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 361-2011.

<u>Docket No. 415-2010</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Gunderson, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 362-2011.

<u>Docket No. 5-2011</u> – The application of Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 6-2011}}$  – The application of Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. } 11\text{-}2011 \& 4\text{-}2011 \text{ FED}}\text{-} \text{ The application of Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.}$ 

<u>Docket No. 63-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 64-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 65-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 67-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was approved as set forth in Board Order 363-2011.

<u>Docket No. 69-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\frac{Docket\ No.\ 72\text{-}2011}{Docket\ No.\ 72\text{-}2011}-\text{The application of Brigham\ Oil\ \&\ Gas,\ LP\ was\ continued\ to\ the\ December\ 2011\ hearing.}$ 

<u>Docket No. 73-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 74-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 77-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 78-2011</u> The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\frac{Docket\ No.\ 79\text{-}2011}{2011} - \ The\ application\ of\ Brigham\ Oil\ \&\ Gas,\ LP\ was\ continued\ to\ the\ December\ 2011\ hearing.$ 

<u>Docket No. 80-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 81-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 82-2011}}-$  The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. }83\text{-}2011}\text{--}$  The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. } 155\text{-}2011} - \text{The application of Abraxas Petroleum Corporation was continued to the December 2011 hearing.}$ 

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 156-2011}}\text{-} \text{ The application of Abraxas Petroleum Corporation was continued to the December 2011 hearing.}$ 

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 157-2011}} - \text{The application of Abraxas Petroleum Corporation was continued to the December 2011 hearing.}$ 

<u>Docket No. 166-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw, seconded by Mr. Smith and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 364-2011.

<u>Docket No. 167-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 365-2011.

<u>Docket No. 171-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 366-2011.

<u>Docket No. 173-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Continental Resources, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 367-2011.

<u>Docket No. 174-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 368-2011.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. } 178\text{-}2011} \text{-} \text{ The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.}$ 

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. } 179\text{-}2011}$  – The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. } 180\text{-}2011} - \text{The application of Continental Resources, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.}$ 

<u>Docket No. 182-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Gunderson and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Newfield RMI LLC as set forth in Board Order 369-2011.

Docket No. 202-2011 - The application of XTO Energy Inc. was withdrawn.

Docket No. 203-2011 - The application of XTO Energy Inc. was withdrawn.

<u>Docket No. 225-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Smelser and unanimously passed, to approve the application of TAQA North USA, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 370-2011.

<u>Docket No. 240-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 242-2011</u> – The application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

<u>Docket No. 280-2011</u> – Board staff placed this application on the Default Docket for approval without hearing if no protests or requests for hearing were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the hearing. None were received. The application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. was approved as set forth in Board Order 371-2011.

<u>Docket No. 281-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Gunderson and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 372-2011.

<u>Docket No. 289-2011 & 26-2011 FED</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw, seconded by Mr. Smelser and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 373-2011.

<u>Docket No. 290-2011</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Gunderson and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Oasis Petroleum, Inc. as set forth in Board Order 374-2011.

<u>Docket No. 291-2011 & 27-2011 FED</u> – A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Smelser and unanimously passed, to approve the application of Anschutz Exploration Corporation as set forth in Board Order 375-2011.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. } 296\text{-}2011}\text{--}$  The application of Mountain View Energy, Inc. was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. 299-2011}} - \text{The application of Central Montana Resources LLC was continued to the December 2011 hearing.}$ 

 $\underline{\text{Docket No. } 302\text{-}2011}$  – The application of G3 Operating, LLC was continued to the December 2011 hearing.

Docket No. 309-2011 - The show-cause hearing for Southside Oil & Gas LTD was dismissed.

<u>Docket No. 456-2011</u>– A motion was made by Mr. Efta, seconded by Mr. Gunderson and passed, to immediately collect the \$5000 fine imposed on Bensun Energy, LLC in Board Order 2-A-2010 and to also collect the \$5000 fine ordered in Board Order 177-2011 since the BN 11-11 well was not producing or plugged by October 13, 2011. This is set forth in Board Order 376-2011. Chairman Nelson and Mr. Smelser voted no.

Docket No. 457-2011 — A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Smith and unanimously passed, to a) give Jake Oil, LLC until October 20, 2011 to pay annual injection well fees and late penalties totaling \$1100; b) require that the Van Arsdale 14-35 well (API # 25-065-21433) located in the E½SW¼SW¼ of Section 35, T9N-R24E, Musselshell County, Montana be immediately plugged if the \$1100 is not paid by October 20, 2011; and c) immediately revoke the injection well permit for the Federal 41-21 well (API # 25-065-21439) located in the NE¼ of Section 2, T8N-R24E, Musselshell County, Montana, if the \$1100 is not paid by October 20, 2011. This action is set forth in Board Order 377-2011.

<u>Docket No. 458-2011</u>—A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Smelser and unanimously passed, to schedule a show-cause hearing for bond forfeiture for Brent Zimmerman for the Board's December 15, 2011 hearing. This action is set forth in Board Order 378-2011.

Docket No. 459-2011 - The show-cause hearing for Hawley Oil Company was dismissed.

Docket No. 460-2011 – A motion was made by Mr. Smelser, seconded by Mr. Smith and unanimously passed, to schedule a show-cause hearing for Athena Energy, LLC for December 15, 2011 where it must either present a satisfactory plan for plugging its wells; or if no plan is provided, why its wells should not be immediately plugged and abandoned. This action is set forth in Board Order 379-2011.

<u>Docket No. 461-2011</u> – The show-cause hearing for Native American Energy Group, Inc. was dismissed.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next business meeting of the Board will be Wednesday, December 14, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana. The next regular public hearing will be Thursday, December 15, 2011, beginning at 8:00 a.m. at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana. The filing deadline for the December 15, 2011 public hearing is November 10, 2011.

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